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Executive Director
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Washington D. C. 20505

Dear Jim:

Please express my appreciation for a job well done to each CIA participant in the recently completed Future SIGINT Capabilities Study (FSCS). This is in recognition of their contribution to our understanding of future intelligence needs. The FSCS will provide a valuable guideline for an investment strategy that will help ensure that the United States SIGINT System will remain viable through the year 2000. It will also impact on the production of intelligence information for national decisionmakers and military commanders. Those CIA persons named in the enclosed listing may well be proud of their contribution to this Herculean effort.

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While it is somewhat unfair to single out individuals for special recognition when so many made significant contributions to specific sections, I wish to cite James V. Hirsch. [redacted] for their exceptional contributions to the entire Study.

Mr. Hirsch was the CIA representative to the Tiger Team. The Tiger Team represented and reported directly to the DCI and provided high-level guidance to the Study.

[redacted] was detailed to the IC Staff for the duration of the Study and worked with the Core Study Staff, chaired the Clandestine Working Group during both phases of the Study, and served as Deputy Phase II Director. The Phase I Clandestine Working Group identified [redacted] expected through the year 2000, and in Phase II developed an architecture to remedy those expected deficiencies.

[redacted] served as the Intelligence Producers Council representative to the Executive Panel. The Executive Panel was chaired by the Chairman, SIGINT Committee, and provided overall guidance to the Study.

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[] represented CIA on the Executive Panel during Phase II of the Study. The Executive Panel, with membership from throughout the Community, provided overall guidance to the Study and was chaired by the Chairman, SIGINT Committee. 25X1

[] was the CIA representative to the Phase II Systems Review Group (SRG), which closely monitored the Phase II effort. The SRG membership consisted of procurement managers from agencies directly engaged in research and development of systems for the SIGINT System. 25X1

[] was the CIA representative to the Phase II Technical Staff and also served as Executive Secretary to the Executive Panel. The Technical Staff was composed of a representative from each involved organization and provided expertise on technical topics. 25X1

[] also helped to blend the systems architectures looking for overlaps, risks, opportunities for mission transfer, and unresolved problems. 25X1

Please convey my personal commendation to these officers for their exceptional contributions.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

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